

Minutes of Health Working group meeting, 21st July 2016

Participants: WAHA, MSF, MdM Belgium, MdM Greece, MdM Suisse, Intersos, Save The Children, IFRC, St. Elisabeth University, Humedica, Health Point Foundation, Rowing Together, Nurture Project International

- Round of introduction
- Vaccination. MdM has completed the vaccination campaign in Lagadikia, Oreokastro and Diavata. IFRC is carrying out a sensitization campaign in their sites, to be followed by implementation of vaccination possibly starting the 25th July. WAHA is awaiting further instructions from MoH and KEELPNO and not implementing at the moment. Other NGOs, Humedica and St. Elisabeth University, have been advised to contact Dr Stavrou, director of Vaccination at KEELPNO for instructions.
- The new transport plan was explained in details. Weekly lists of patients referred to hospitals for secondary health care will be compiled by focal points based in the sites. The lists will be forwarded to Thessaloniki office and transport will be organized by the contracting agency. There will be a pilot week, where transport will be done in Cherso and Nea Kavala, followed by all other camps. Each patient will be accompanied by one family member or friend. Transport for an interpreter was requested by the meeting as well.
- A triage of calls for ambulances was discussed again. HRC will be carrying out first aid training for people with medical background present in the community. Moreover, an on call system for after hours emergency cases will be organized with doctors and nurses of Team Rubicon towards the end of July.
- Mental Health: MSF is present in six warehouses. There is still some fine tuning to be done as they are receiving more patients than they can manage at the moment. MdM is implementing MH in Diavata, Oreokastro, Lagadikia and Redestos. IMC has a possible plan to start MH activities in the North.
- Reproductive Health: Rowing Together will have a gynecologist from the 26th July. A list of sites where Ante Natal care is not provided was given. Prescription and distribution of contraceptives was discussed. A need was raised for more structured reproductive health activities.
- As there are sites where more than one health partner is involved, a proposal was made to have a discussion on the issue to see if it is possible to have only one medical NGO per site.
- An issue was raised on accommodation for vulnerable patients: only patients entitled for relocation can be accommodated in flats or hotel rooms. Issue to be clarified.

- Health Point Foundation is present with dentistry services in nine sites. At the moment there is no capacity to extend to more sites. They might be able to step up in the near future.
- The Representative of Nurture Project International presented their project and activities.

Next Health Working group meeting will take place on the 4th August 2016, at 10:00, same venue